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ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 148821.00004 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR2004/002650

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TITLE OF INVENTION BALLASTED INTRAGASTRIC BALLOON, USE OF AN ABSORBING BODY AND/OR HEAVY SOLID BODIES

TO FORM A BALLAST INSIDE SUCH A BALLOON			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Pascal Paganon			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
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3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.			
4. X The US has been elected (Article 31).			
5. X A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))			
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6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).			
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8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).			
9. X An unexecuted oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).			
An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).			
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13. A preliminary amendment with Marked-up copy of specification.			
14 An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.			
15. X A substitute specification.			
16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.			
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